# APPROVED CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CITY HALL 100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA WEDNESDAY July 08, 2015 – 5:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE	CUMULATIVE	03/11/2015
		<u>Present</u>	Absent
Barbra Stern, Vice Chair	А	4	1
Franci Bindler	А	2	3
Tom Catalino	Р	3	2
Ayisha Gordon	А	2	3
Thomas Yianilos, Chair	Р	5	0
Barbara A. VanVoast	Р	3	2
Kenneth Green	Р	3	2
Duane Sinclair	Р	4	1
Anthony Quackenbush	Α	2	2
Blake Williams	Р	3	2
Jiro Yates	Р	4	1
David Bowles	Р	3	1
Paul Czerwonka	Α	1	3
Ronald Alose	Α	4	1
Marni Canavan	Α	2	3
Leslie Fordham	Р	4	1
Judy Czerenda	Α	2	1
Felicia Armstrong	Р	1	1
Jhannelle Campbell	Р	1	2
Sandra Pierce	Р	1	0
Alexander Coffey	Р	1	

As of this date, there were 21 appointed members to the Board, which means 11 would constitute a quorum.

## **Staff**

Laura Gambino, Business Development Coordinator Lutecia Florencio, Staff

Chair Yianilos called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Chair Yianilos called roll and a quorum was established.

# Board Members Updates- New members Introductions

Chair Yianilos introduced the new Board members. Ms. Armstrong introduced herself, spoke about family coming to Florida and working as part time realtor. Mr. Coffey introduced himself as a realtor, family information and where he attended school. Ms. Pierce introduced herself, living in the area for 25 years and working for Water Taxi currently.

# Quorum/Approval of June 10, 2015 Minutes

**Motion** made by Mr. Catalino and seconded by Mr. Williams to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2015 meeting. All in favor, none opposed.

### WOW Nominations

Chair Yianilos asked if anyone had a WOW house. No response from the Board members. Ms. Gambino commented that nominations are behind schedule. She mentioned that District 3 was approved and Ms. Campbell had sent a description but was working on getting before pictures.

Since there is no meeting in August for this Board, Ms. Gambino will pull the last two submissions and will send out to for a vote via email from the Board Members, reminding that the responses are only back to the liaison, not to each other.

Chair Yianilos responded that before pictures are not needed for submissions. Ms. Campbell informed that the house submitted is on River Side Park.

Ms. Gambino is getting ready for August 18 to start again with the WOW.

Chair Yianilos informed that the WOW is each month of the year; total of 12.District 1 to 4 gets 3 houses a year each. The Board identifies a house and vote on it, as a house you drive by and say WOW. It varies and it's relatives to the surroundings. One house wins the WOW of the year. Owners should be contacted prior to the submission of their house. House does not have to belong to the same district as the board member that submitted

Mr. Catalino mentioned Lui Bossi restaurant and the board discussed. He would like to submit it for the commercial annual award. Ms. Gambino commented if a house a member is working on is beautiful, it can be submitted. Only exterior pictures are needed.

Mr. Yates mentioned when you pick a house also important to make sure all the permits were issued. The Board discussed about landscaping which does not need a permit.

Chair Yianilos discussed the Districts are still needed for the WOW and Ms. Gambino informed that they are 1, 3 and 4.

1619 SE 12th Court is a house submitted by Chair Yianilos for District 4.

Ms. Gambino will confirm the submission and the votes via email, so to be ready for the August 18 Commission meeting.

Chair Yianilos informed that the owners of the house should make a commitment to be at the City Commission meeting to receive the Award, the extras presented like the gift certificate, an orchid, the WOW sign and to be recognized in front of the Commission. Also contention for the WOW of the Year.

Mr. Catalino suggested that Home Depot should again receive recognition for the donated orchids for the WOW houses

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### New/Old Business

### None

# • Communication to City Commission

Ms. Gambino informed that the last Communication to Commission that acknowledged staff efforts will get into the agenda of August 18.

Chair Yianilos mentioned the recognition of Ms. Stern as Chair for 4 years.

Ms. Gambino reminded all Board members there is not a meeting in August.

Chair Yianilos commented that Board members should use the 2 months to get some WOW houses to be submitted, to have a selection process.

Ms. Pierce offered a tour on the Water Taxi, as an access the waterfront to pick some WOW houses and Ms. Gambino responded that it could be done, like a property tour.

**Motion** made by Mr. Catalino second by Mr. Bowles and having no further business to come before the Board at this time the meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.